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With respect to cited documents JP Hei-3-035762 and JP Hei-4-049766 both of which are in the Japanese language, no English language Abstract is available to the undersigned at this time.

In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicant submits the following explanations:

1. The Background Art disclosure at pages 1 - 5 of the present specification for JP Hei-3-35762 constitutes a concise statement of relevance of JP Hei-3-35762.
2. The Background Art disclosure at pages 1 - 5 of the present specification for JP Hei-4-049766 constitutes a concise statement of relevance of JP Hei-4-049766.
3. The Background Art disclosure at pages 1 - 5 of the present specification and the submission of an English language abstract for JP 2002-280250 each constitutes a concise statement of relevance of JP 2002-280250.
4. The Background Art disclosure at pages 1 - 5 of the present specification and the submission of an English language abstract for JP Hei-8-222135 each constitutes a concise statement of relevance of JP Hei-8-222135.
5. The Background Art disclosure at pages 1 - 5 of the present specification and the submission of an English language abstract for JP 2002-063849 each constitutes a concise statement of relevance of JP 2002-063849.

Also, for the Examiner's convenience, Applicant also submits herewith courtesy copies of the documents that were cited in the International Search Report, which were previously cited and listed in the Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) filed on December 22, 2005. Also with

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